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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. <u>Description</u>

4 Local Element

 Adds various projects in Monterey, Santa Cruz and San Benito counties. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) program. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 4 for inclusion into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only. As the projects listed in this amendment were originally part of the "Lump Sum HBRR Projects (MPO ID: 60)", we recommend AMBAG to modify this lump sum project through the future revision of their FTIP.

The updated programming has been found by the AMBAG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by AMBAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

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In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The AMBAG prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

c: Steven Barhite - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure) Nicholas Papadakis - Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments Todd Muck - Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments Abhijit Bagde - Caltrans